



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION**

**KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374-A
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

Wednesday, February 8, 2012

9:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (12-0732)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Present: President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez,
Commissioner Barger and Commissioner Lee

Call to Order. (12-0538)

The meeting was called to order by President Afriat at 9:05 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance. (12-0540)

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Afriat.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Approval of Minutes from Meeting of January 11, 2012. (12-0541)

On motion of Vice President Campbell, seconded by President Afriat, the minutes of January 11, 2012 were approved.

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II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Note: President Afriat called Agenda No. 4 before Agenda No. 2.

2. Hearing on application for Annual Dance/SC for the City of Santa Clarita Business License ID# 138847, to issue a new business license to Christian Steve Perry owner of Havin' A Ball, LLC, located at 24250 Town Center Drive #140, Santa Clarita, CA 91355 in the Fifth District. (12-0332)

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals and

the City of Santa Clarita has no objection to the issuance of the business license.

Christian Perry, owner of Havin' A Ball, LLC stated that the business is a ballroom dance studio that provides one-on-one dance instruction for couples with the possibility of offering group lessons in the future.

Commissioner Lee inquired about the age of students. Mr. Perry explained that the new location mirrors two of his existing locations and the expected age range for most of his clientele is over 30 years of age.

On motion of Commissioner Barger, seconded by Vice President Campbell, the Commission approved the aforementioned license with the condition that the owners comply with the conditional use permit codified by the City of Santa Clarita.

Ayes: 5 - President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez, Commissioner Barger and Commissioner Lee

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- 3. Hearing on application for Massage Parlor-General Business License ID# 138603, to issue a new license to Zhan Li Ji, owner of J & J Foot Care located at 3575 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena , CA 91107 in the Fifth District. (12-0521)**

Cristina Hernandez from Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC) reported that the application is being handled by the Sheriff's Department and the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals, TTC has no objections to the issuance of the license. Ben Garcia, Sheriff's Department advised that although minimal interaction occurred with Mr. Zhan Li Ji, owner of J & J Foot Care, Mr. Li Ji understood the inspection of the location was being conducted. Mr. Garcia reported satisfaction of the location and has no objection to issuance of the license.

Mr. Li Ji, through his interpreter, stated that the practice consists of foot massage and that there are three employees at the location. Commissioner Barger reminded Mr. Li Ji of the licensing requirement for all massage technicians working for him.

Discussion ensued regarding County and State licensing requirements for massage technicians. Ms. Hernandez advised that the Chief Executive Office is in the process of developing recommendations to address this new State Law.

The applicant confirmed that all of his technicians are State Certified.

On motion of Commissioner Barger, seconded by President Afriat, the Commission approved the aforementioned license.

Ayes: 5 - President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez, Commissioner Barger and Commissioner Lee

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- 4.** Hearing on application for Taxicab Operator and 20 Taxicab Vehicles Business License ID#137940, to issue a new business license to Julian Cardenas, Helen Garcia, and Gloria Zambrano, for Yellow Cab Co. of San Gabriel Valley, at 14920 E. Clark Ave., Hacienda Heights, CA 91745 in the Fourth District. (11-5435)

Commissioner Lee asked the owners of Yellow Cab Co. to specify the relationship between the Company and the drivers and inquired about the feasibility study requested at the hearing on December 14, 2011.

Helen Garcia, part owner of Yellow Cab Co. of San Gabriel Valley informed the Commission that the additional documents being presented include an application for employment, a contract identifying the drivers as independent contractors, driver rules and regulations, and driver's eligibility.

Julian Cardenas, part owner explained that currently only the office staff has Workers' Compensation Insurance however; the Company is in the process of obtaining quotes for individual policies for the drivers to be paid for by the Company.

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), introduced Kerry Fuse, Chief Executive Office Risk Management Division to answer any questions with regards to requirements for taxicab companies.

President Afriat asked Ms. Fuse if the Commission has the ability to proceed with approving additional taxicab seals contingent upon receiving proof that Workers Compensation Insurance has been provided to the drivers. Ms. Fuse found no problem moving forward with this contingent approval, should the Commission decide to do so.

Mr. Cardenas informed the Commission that they receive a high volume of calls for service in the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County and obtaining the proper seals is necessary to ensure the business is operating legally when picking up clients in these areas.

Ms. Hernandez stated that there currently is a licensed Taxicab company that operates in the unincorporated areas.

After discussion and on motion of Commissioner Lee, seconded by Vice President Campbell, the Commission took the following action:

1. Made a finding of the applicants' demonstrated need and necessity.
2. Approved the aforementioned license to operate in Zones 5, 7, 8, and 12, contingent upon proof of Workers' Compensation coverage for individual drivers prior to obtaining the seals.

Ayes: 5 - President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez, Commissioner Barger and Commissioner Lee

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III. DISCUSSIONS

5. Discussion and possible revision of the conditions imposed by the Commission on October 12, 2011 for Entertainment-General Business License ID #138454 for The Coffee Gallery located at 2029 N. Lake Ave. Altadena, CA 91001 in the Fifth District. (11-4148)

President Afriat provided the Commissioners a background of the item for discussion.

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), stated that this is a six month review that has been scheduled early at the request of the applicants to discuss modification of the conditions imposed at the hearing on October 12, 2011.

She provided the Commission with a brief background and stated since the hearing in October there have been no complaints by the surrounding residents.

Alice Wong, Department of Regional Planning (DRP) stated that their conditional use permit (CUP) is effective until August 15, 2012. The owners would need to apply by the middle of February to avoid operating their business without a CUP.

Robert Stane stated that they do not have the funds available at this time to pay the CUP application fees. However, they are successfully fundraising and expect to have reached their goal, and be able to apply within 60 days.

Commissioner Barger questioned if the application process can be expedited if the application is received in March. Ms. Wong advised that she will look into the possibility of speeding up the process.

At the request of Commissioner Barger the applicants agreed to return on April 11, 2012 for an update. He also requested DRP continuously update the Commission on the status of this business.

Ms. Wong recommended the applicants call 2 weeks prior to filing their CUP application for an appointment.

On motion of Commissioner Barger, seconded by Vice President Campbell, the Commission continued this item to April 11, 2012 for an update and modified the previous condition extending the CUP application submittal deadline to April 11, 2012.

Ayes: 5 - President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez, Commissioner Barger and Commissioner Lee

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IV. REPORT

6. Commissioners' Comments. (12-0539)

The Commission reviewed the calendar for February 2012. The Commission agreed to cancel the meeting of February 22, 2012.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

Public Comment

7. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Committee on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Committee. (12-0542)

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

Adjournment

8. Adjournment for the meeting of February 8, 2012. (12-0543)

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2012.